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SUBJ: SEARCHING FOR A HAVEN FOR THANOM, PRAPHAT, AND NARONG

1. SWISS AMBASSADOR RUDOLF HARTMANN ASKED US NOVEMBER 6
WHETHER THERE WAS ANY POSSIBILITY OF FORMER DEPUTY PRIME
MINISTER PRAPHAT CHARUSATHIEN OR COLONEL NARONG KITTIKACHORN
GOING FROM TAIWAN TO THE U.S. WE SAID NO.

2. HARTMANN SAID THAT INQUIRIES HAD BEEN MADE AT THE SWISS
EMBASSY IN WAHSINGTON ABOUT WHETHER FORMER PRIME MINISTER
THANOM KITTIKACHORN COULD GO TO SWITZERLAND, BUT NO FORMAL
VISA REQUEST HAD BEEN PRESENTED.

3. HARTMANN SAID HE HOPED THE ARABS, SOUTH AFRICA, OR WEST
GERMANY MIGHT TAKE THE TRIO. IF ANY OF THE THREE FORMER
LEADERS MAKES A REQUEST FOR VISITORS VISAS TO SWITZERLAND,
THE LOCAL EMOTSSY WILL REFER IT TO BERN WHERE IT WILL RE-
CEIVE THOROUGH SCRUTINY. HE SAID THE SWISS WOULD "TRY TO
DELAY" A RELHONSB JS LOJS AS POSSIBLE.
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